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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE

February 28, 2014

Ms. Ashley Logan Motley Rice 28 Bridgeside Blvd Mt. Pleasant, S.C. 29455

RE: Response to Freedom of Information Request: EPA-HQ-2014-002661

Dear Ms. Logan:

This letter is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) wherein you requested documents concerning an investigation regarding Etowah River Terminal/Freedom Industries and or Crete Technologies. The documents requested are exempt from mandatory disclosure by virtue of the following section of FOIA: 5 U.S.C. Section 552(b)7(A), which authorizes the withholding of records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings. You will not be billed for the cost of processing this FOIA request, as the cost did not meet the minimum threshold for billing.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you are not satisfied with my action on this request, you may submit a written appeal to the National Freedom of Information Officer, FOIA and Privacy Branch (2822T), United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), or by fax: (202) 566-2147, or by email <a href="https://doi.org/10.2009/j.gen.2000/j.gen.

Your appeal must be in writing and submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should clearly identify the determination being appealed including the assigned FOIA request number shown above. For quickest possible handling, both the appeal letter and its envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Should you have additional questions regarding this response, please contact Ms. Nancy Parkinson of my staff via e-mail at parkinson.op parkinson.op parkinson.

Sincerely,

Ella R. Suter

Acting Deputy Director

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Forensics and Training

cc: National Freedom of Information Officer FOIA and Privacy Branch (2822T)